HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 169 By McDonald

A RESOLUTION to honor and give accolades to Coach Dennis
Walker and the Beech High School Girls'
Basketball team on finishing as runner-up in the
2003 TSSAA Class AAA Girls' State Basketball
Tournament.

WHEREAS, the Tennessee General Assembly is pleased to specially honor and commend those successful high school teams that, through their magnificent exploits, bring honor to the State of Tennessee and serve as exceptional ambassadors of this State; and

WHEREAS, the members of the Beech High School Girls' Basketball team have devoted a significant amount of time and effort to practicing and perfecting their skills; and

WHEREAS, the Beech High School Lady Buccaneers achieved an extraordinary level of success during the 2002-2003 season, compiling a 34-6 record which set a school record for wins; and

WHEREAS, this exemplary team gallantly fought its way to the State Championship Game for the first time in school history; and

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WHEREAS, showcasing the talent and determination of the Beech High School Lady Buccaneers, junior forward Katie Shelton played 24 minutes in the championship game with a broken wrist; this selfless attitude of putting the team first pervades the Beech High School team; and

WHEREAS, Head Coach Dennis Walker along with his assistant coaches provided expert guidance and leadership for these young ladies throughout their outstanding season; and

WHEREAS, the basketball players at Beech High School epitomize all that is good in today's student-athlete, as they have achieved the highest level of success on the court while showing the highest degree of character both on and off the court; they inspired the Beech student body and united their entire community while completing their triumphal run through the 2002-2003 season; and

WHEREAS, the dedication, determination, work ethic, and talent of this group of young women not only made possible a record-setting basketball season, but also surely bode well for their success in every future endeavor; and

WHEREAS, this General Assembly finds it appropriate to acknowledge and applaud the Beech High School Lady Buccaneers for finishing as runner-up in the 2003 season TSSAA Class AAA Girls' State Basketball Championship and serving as examples of the high quality of the youth of Tennessee; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we do hereby honor and congratulate Coach Dennis Walker and the Beech High School Lady Buccaneers on their remarkable 2002-2003 and superior performance in the State Tournament. The Lady Buccaneers have proven themselves exemplary and capable young women who are worthy of this General Assembly's accolades.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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